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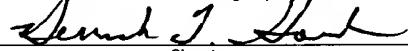
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The following documents are cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Taniguchi et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,023,253, issued February 8, 2000;

(2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application  
No. (A) 2000-081591 (CANON INC), published March 21,  
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(3) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application  
No. (A) 2000-147422 (SHARP CORP), published May 26,  
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Applicants also wish to bring the following document to the attention of the Examiner:

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